IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Application No: 09/761,959	) Re:PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
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Filed: January 17, 2001	) Our Ref: B4085/618515-9/RPB
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For: "SECURITY POLICY APPLIED..."	) Date: March 12, 2001

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application, please enter the following amendments:

In the Specification:

1. Please rewrite the paragraph appearing at page 1, lines 5-8 to read as follows:

"The present invention relates to improvements in security architecture of computer platforms, and particularly although not exclusively, to improvements in policy-based security and trust management in the Common Data Security Architecture (CDSA)."

2. Please rewrite the paragraph appearing at page 2, lines 9-12 to read as follows:

"• An add-in security modules layer 103, having facility for a plurality of add-in security modules such as Cryptographic Service Provider (CSP) modules, Certificate Library (CL) modules, Trust Policy (TP) modules, Authorization Computation (AC) modules and Data Storage Library (DL) modules."

3. Versions of these two paragraphs showing the changes made thereto are enclosed herewith.

4. The amendment made to the first paragraph noted above is to add the words "and trust" in the third line thereof. It is submitted that there is more than adequate support for this amendment in the originally filed specification which is replete with references to "trust policy module", "trust policy services", "trust policy description file" etc. The amendment to the second paragraph corrects an obvious grammatical error.

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1.136 (a) requesting an extension of time of the number of months necessary to

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6. An action on the merits of this application is awaited.

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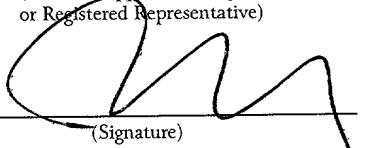
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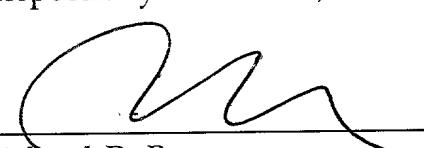
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Appendix

The paragraph appearing at page 1, lines 5 -8 is amended thus:

The present invention relates to improvements in security architecture of computer platforms, and particularly although not exclusively, to improvements in policy-based security and trust management in the Common Data Security Architecture (CDSA).

The paragraph appearing at page 2, lines 9 - 12 is amended thus:

• An add-in security modules layer 103, having facility for a plurality of add-in security modules such as a Cryptographic Service Provider (CSP) modules, Certificate Library (CL) modules, Trust Policy (TP) modules, Authorization Computation (AC) modules and Data Storage Library (DL) modules.